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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Security Officer

SUBJECT : Request for Clearances on

1. I had a call this afternoon from [redacted] whom I understand to be connected with Security in OSI. He has relayed to me a request which apparently originated with [redacted] Deputy Assistant Director for Collection, OSI, that Messrs. [redacted] be approved for briefing on Project AQUATONE in order that each may discharge certain responsibilities impinging upon areas of mutual interest.

2. As I understand it, [redacted] cleared in order that the latter may substitute for his supervisor, [redacted] during periods of the Colonel's absence from headquarters. The request for clearance for [redacted] is not quite as clear-cut since, as [redacted] described it to me, [redacted] sole contact with Project affairs will come in the course of staffing certain papers for AD/OSI relating to this Project, or in the "housekeeping affairs" of the processing room utilized by [redacted] in connection with Project AQUATONE business. I suggested to [redacted] that [redacted] might well receive limited briefing, but, acting on [redacted] original request, [redacted] indicated that he could not concur in this and that, if [redacted] were briefed at all, it should be for the full briefing treatment.

3. [redacted] has asked that the Project Security Officer call on Extension [redacted] when either or both of these clearances is ready and that [redacted] would then send us a confirming memorandum setting forth the formal request. He has asked for expeditious action, possibly as early as 12 July.

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